

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Call to Order: Chairman Jon Sonju, on February 9, 2009 at 3:00 P.M., in Room 455 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Jon Sonju, Chairman (R)
Rep. Gordon Vance, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Elsie Arntzen (R)
Rep. Dick Barrett (D)
Rep. Tom Berry (R)
Rep. Deborah Kottel (D)
Rep. Margaret MacDonald (D)
Rep. Lee Randall (R)
Rep. J. David Roundstone (D)
Rep. Bill Wilson (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Bob Ebinger, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Janna Taylor (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Katie Butcher, Committee Secretary
Rachel Weiss, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing: SB 152, HB 356
Executive Action: None

00:00:00 Call to order

HEARING ON HB 356

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:00:58 Rep. Bob Wagner (R), HD 71, opened the hearing on HB 356, Revise law on use of portable scales.

EXHIBIT(trh30a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:14:50 Dustin Wagner
00:15:58 Tony Tezak, Ennis, Montana
00:18:23 Terry Reid, Whitehall, Montana
00:22:39 Joe Davis, Whitehall, Montana
00:28:44 Jason Todhunter, Montana Logging Association
00:31:21 Barry 'Spook' Stang, Montana Motor Carriers Association
00:32:54 Steve Wade, Montana Contractors Association
00:33:21 Steve Wagner, Helena, Montana
00:36:46 Phil Johnson, Gallatin Valley
00:37:57 Ben Wagner, Whitehall, Montana
00:38:21 Tim Wilkinson

Opponents' Testimony:

00:39:04 Jim Lynch, Director, Department of Transportation

EXHIBIT(trh30a02)

01:08:50 Joe Cohenour

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:12:09 Rep. Kottel
01:14:07 Mr. Lynch
01:14:34 Rep. Barrett
01:15:17 Mr. Lynch
01:17:37 Rep. Berry
01:17:52 Mr. Lynch
01:18:35 Chairman Sonju
01:18:45 Mr. Lynch
01:21:19 Rep. Arntzen
01:21:56 Mr. Lynch
01:22:22 Rep. Arntzen

Closing by Sponsor:

01:25:58 Rep. Wagner

01:39:34 Break
01:47:04 Reconvene

HEARING ON SB 152

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:47:35 Sen. John Brueggeman (R), SD 6, opened the hearing on SB 152, Revise motor vehicle registration and driver's license laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

01:50:10 Brenda Nordlund, Attorney, Motor Vehicle Division,
Department of Justice

[EXHIBIT](#)(trh30a03)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

02:00:07 Rep. Kottel
02:00:48 Ms. Nordlund
02:01:31 Rep. Ebinger
02:02:03 Ms. Nordlund
02:03:32 Chairman Sonju
02:03:37 Ms. Nordlund
02:03:47 Rep. Taylor
02:04:00 Ms. Nordlund

Closing by Sponsor:

02:08:08 Sen. Brueggeman

ADJOURNMENT

02:10:50 Adjournment

Katie Butcher, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT ([trh30aad.pdf](#))